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back tuesday

Metro will not be publishing on Victoria Day. The next edition will appear Tuesday, May 20.



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WEATHER P. 31



Accused in court

Adnane El Sehdi walks out of the courtroom at the provincial courthouse yesterday. El Sehdi, 19, Eva Abittan, 19, and Ragavan Palanivel, 24, all of Laval, Que., were arraigned on charges stemming from the theft of two bankcard machines from the cash registers at Staples in Dartmouth as well as stores in Scotia Square and Park Lane Tuesday night. The three were arrested Wednesday. Story, Page 3.

Finn's feat a fake: Official

Hockey fan had valid pass to get into World games

By MATTHEW WUEST
Metro Halifax

It turns out Peter Metsala didn't have to sneak his way into a single game at the world hockey championship.

Metsala, a Finnish hockey fan, spent the past week in Halifax telling anyone who would listen he was in town on a bet. He had to travel to Canada, stay in a hotel, and sneak into world hockey games — including Sunday's gold-medal final in Quebec City — without spending any of his own money.

But an event official told Metro Halifax yesterday Metsala is an accredited guest of the Finnish Ice Hockey Federation and has a tournament pass that grants him free access to every game.

"It was a prank he pulled to get some media attention," event coordinator Leroy McKinnon said, after ensuring Metsala hadn't breached security. "He was free to walk through our checkpoints just by showing his badge. He was legit."

Metsala talked to The Chronicle Herald and Q104 this week, saying he is a television sports journalist and that he had stolen an official's accreditation to get into one game.

The Finnish marketing agency Barabra Ltd., which maintains Metsala's website at petefi-naaliin.fi, told Metro Halifax yesterday Metsala is a Helsinki bartender whose trip to the Worlds is sponsored by a Finnish beer company.

Metsala, who documented his journey on YouTube and on his website's blog, was found at the Metro Centre during Wednesday's quarter-final between Finland and the U.S., sitting comfortably in reserved seating with his accreditation.

When approached by Metro Halifax with questions about the story he had told local media, Metsala appeared taken aback and said someone impersonated him.

"It's not me," he said repeatedly. "Someone used my name. I haven't done anything. It's not me."

Metsala, however, is clearly pictured in the Herald and on his blog. A video of his interview with local media also appears on YouTube.

When asked for an explanation, Metsala eventually walked away, saying, "I'm going to take a leak."

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The gym at West Colchester Consolidated School in Bass River has been sealed off after workers found suspicious material above the ceiling tiles. The material was confirmed as asbestos yesterday.

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Accused debit-card scammers arraigned

By LINDSAY JONES
Metro Halifax

Three people from Laval, Que., were arraigned in Halifax provincial court yesterday on nine theft charges related to debit-card scams in Halifax and Dartmouth.

A 19-year-old woman, Eva Abittan, and two men, Adnane El Sehd, 19, and Ragan Palanivel, 24, appeared after staying in jail overnight.

The three suspects were picked up Wednesday in Park Lane after security recognized them. Police allege they stole two bankcard machines from Staples in Dartmouth and stores in Scotia Square and Park Lane Tuesday night. None of the accused has a criminal record, the court heard, though Palanivel faces charges for similar offences in

Montreal.

today

» The trio is back in court for a bail hearing today.

El Sehd, who looked slightly bewildered, expressed through his lawyer the need for a French-English interpreter.

Abittan, a chic-looking young woman with lustrous black hair, sat with her lips pursed and legs crossed. She flipped her hair to hide her face when leaving court.

Police say hundreds in the Halifax area have lost money to scammers, usually from outside the province, who come to town, swipe the machines, replace them with doctored ones, and come back in a week or two to pick up the doctored keypads.

Halifax regional police Const. Jeff Carr said they don't believe the three arrested this week are responsible for all the recent scams.

"Whether they're separate or working as part of a larger organization, that's all part of our investigation," Carr said.

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Man in HIV case found guilty

Court deems not disclosing disease was sexual assault

By PAUL MCLEOD
Metro Halifax

A man who had unprotected sex with his girlfriend without telling her he was HIV-positive was found guilty of aggravated sexual assault yesterday in Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

Blaine Arthur Holland, 36, was diagnosed with HIV in 1995. He testified he told his girlfriend about his condition when they started dating back in March of 2005. But the girlfriend, who cannot be named, said he didn't tell her until a year later, after they had had sex over 100 times. She did not contract HIV.



Blaine Arthur Holland stands in Nova Scotia Supreme Court yesterday after being convicted of aggravated sexual assault for having unprotected sex with a woman who did not know he was HIV-positive.

Justice Arthur Pickup found Holland guilty after noting contradictions in his testimony — Holland initially

said he disclosed his HIV status before the relationship got serious, then later said he revealed it before the relation-

ship began.

Pickup also said Holland's testimony was too far-fetched. "It defies common sense

perjury claim

» During the trial a man came forward claiming that Holland had asked him to commit perjury. The man, described as friend of Holland's, said the defendant had asked him to testify that he had overheard Holland tell his girlfriend he had HIV back in March of 2005.

Holland denied the claims and they were never proven in court. The claims did not factor into the judge's verdict.

that Mr. Holland would tell (the victim) in March 2005 about his HIV-positive status, yet she would engage in unprotected sex and not be tested until March of 2006," said Justice Pickup while rendering his decision.

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Three retailers suspended from selling lottery tickets

AMHERST — Walking into two service stations and one pharmacy in Amherst, it may look like business as usual — until you stop at the counter and ask for a lottery ticket.

Three retailers, Shell Service Station, Irving Mainway and Lawtons Drugs, have had their lottery privileges suspended for five days. At the pharmacy downtown, there are "empty" signs where tickets should be, while not even the sleeves the tickets are housed in are on display at Shell. At Irving, a notice has been put in the Atlantic Lottery Corporation's display cases stating the temporary suspension and that they'll be back in business on May 19.

Atlantic Lottery Corporation's public affairs specialist

confirmed suspensions had been handed out to retailers in the area, but would not give out any names.

"We have or are in the process of issuing five-day suspensions to nine Nova Scotia retail locations. The suspensions are being issued following testing around integrity compliance on our new policies that we've implemented recently around customer confidence," said Robert Bourgeois, adding that some had occurred in the area. "Basically what that means is ensuring tickets are signed before the validation takes place, giving tickets and validation back to players after validation takes place ... things like that."

THE AMHERST DAILY NEWS

» news In Brief

» **HOUSING** Residential construction levels in Halifax are expected to remain stable this year before picking up again in 2009, while existing home sales retreat from record levels. According to the new Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's (CMHC) Housing Market Outlook —

Halifax report, a slowdown is expected in most segments of the housing market; however, healthy key economic indicators and a well-diversified local economy will continue to support the housing market in Metro Halifax over the next 18-24 months.

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The province is reminding Nova Scotians to take precautions against the bites of ticks that can cause Lyme disease as they enjoy the woods and parks this spring. Infected ticks can spread the bacterial infection through bites.

METRO HALIFAX

Tories make it No. 7

Seventh balanced budget in a row passed yesterday

By ROBYN YOUNG
Metro Halifax

Finance Minister Michael Baker received a standing ovation yesterday after the Conservative government's seventh consecutive balanced budget passed at Province House just after noon.

The minister toiled through the preparation of the budget in the weeks leading up to the sitting of the legislature, while at the same time battling cancer. He said although he had received a standing ovation before, he'd never received one over a budget.

The 20 members of the

voted against budget

» New Democrat Leader Darrell Dexter said his party could not support this year's budget because of an eight per cent increase in the cost of electricity; the lack of planning to reduce health

care wait lists; and the lack of any plan to deal with the aging demographic.

» "And the general performance of the government was not worthy of our endorsement," he said after the vote.

New Democrat Party — as they said they would earlier in the week — voted against the budget but with the Liberal party on the side of the Tories, 31 were in favour and Premier Rodney MacDonald and his cabinet will remain at the helm.

Liberal Leader Stephen McNeil said he was happy with a number of the budget details including an additional 10 medical student seats at Dalhousie University; the reincarnation of the

Keep the Heat program for low-income Nova Scotians; funding for the colorectal cancer drug Avastin; and the healthy living and transit tax credits.

The premier had a smile on his face when responding to questions about the vote, saying it's a budget that is balanced and fiscally responsible.

"I'm glad to see that the Liberals have seen fit to support that budget and put people ahead of politics," he said.

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Runner Rick Rayman, 61, of Toronto, may be slowing down, but he has no intention of stopping.

190 marathons under his belt

By PAUL MCLEOD
Metro Halifax

When Rick Rayman competed in the first Blue Nose International Marathon in 2004, he had an incredible 130 marathons under his belt.

Now, the 61-year-old Toronto dentist is back in Halifax after completing his 190th race last week. After running the Blue Nose this Sunday he'll be off to Buffalo for another race next week.

Astoundingly, Rayman has been running outdoors for at least 30 minutes — or three miles — per day for 29 years and five months. That's over 10,000 consecutive days of running regardless of weather, injuries, or marathons the previous day.

street closings for the Blue Nose

» Several streets will be closed over the weekend for the Blue Nose International Marathon. Brunswick Street will be closed between Duke Street and Sackville Street on Sunday from 6 a.m. to 1 p.m., and on Saturday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
» Also on Sunday, the five corners intersection west of Citadel High along North

Park Street and Agricola Street to Bloomfield Street will be closed from 7 a.m. to noon. The MacDonald Bridge will be closed to traffic between 8 and 11 a.m.

» Side streets throughout Halifax and Dartmouth will be subject to controlled access by Halifax Regional Police and traffic delays should be expected.

Rayman says he's still competitive, but not as much as he used to be. He used to be able to break two hours and fifty minutes regularly. For this Sunday he's expecting more along the lines of four and a half hours.

The last time he was in Halifax was for the 2005 marathon, for which the

weather was so bad the MacDonald Bridge was closed and the race rerouted.

"Of 190 marathons it was the worst weather conditions I've ever run in," he said.

So it's perhaps a bit surprising that he still lists Halifax as one of his favourite destinations, not just for the race but for the city.

» news In Brief

» **SAFETY AWARD** Dartmouth's B.D. Stevens Ltd. has been honoured for the 2008 Outstanding Achievement in Safety by the Canadian Society of Safety Engineering. The selection committee for the

awards noted the company's high safety performance standards established for subcontractors.

» **NOVA SCOTIA BUSINESS JOURNAL**

» **LOBSTERS** Fishermen will face rising costs for fuel and bait

when the lobster season finally opens Saturday on the eastern side of Cape Breton. Tim Bagnell, who fishes in the Fonia B. from Louisbourg, is also expecting lobster prices to be lower. **CAPE BRETON POST**

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\$200M Sydney terminal planned

Sydport expansion to create estimated 3,500 total jobs

By **NANCY KING**
The Cape Breton Post

Laurentian Energy announced a partnership with a Paris-based transportation infrastructure equity fund yesterday to develop a \$200-million container terminal at

the ports of Sydney.

The manufacturing and commercial property management group will now work with Galaxy SARL to design and construct the terminal, which would be constructed on the west side of the harbour's south arm at Sydport, and select an operator.

"This is my job, this is what we do, we invest in infrastructure projects world-



large capacity

» The two-berth container facility would have an annual through-put capacity of 750,000 20-foot equivalent containers (TEUs). That compares with a capacity at Halifax of about 1.2 million TEUs and 1.5 million TEUs for the Melford project currently in development.

wide," said Corinne Namblard, Galaxy fund founder and CEO. "We will raise ourselves the funding and we will commit the necessary level of equity."

Ports should be seen as a

piece of a supply chain, she said, and Galaxy works with others interested in becoming partners in that supply chain. She noted her firm funds projects into the billion-dollar range, and called the Sydney

project well within its scope.

In looking to develop the terminal, Laurentian knew that at some point it would need a partner that would bring more than money and understand how to operate in this community, CEO Jim Wooder said.

"Galaxy brings to us absolutely everything that is required to take this project from this point forward to fruition," he said.

While a \$200-million price tag has been attached to the project, Wooder said they believe it could actually be built for less than that.

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Police search for bank heist suspect

A man fled with an undisclosed amount of money from a downtown bank yesterday after handing a note to the teller that demanded cash.

Police spokesman Const.

Jeff Carr said he couldn't disclose what the note said, but the teller felt adequately threatened.

"Just that type of action itself, there's an underlying threat in that type of action, a person coming into a bank and demanding cash," he said.

The robbery happened around 12:05 p.m. at the

Royal Bank on the corner of Spring Garden Road and Summer Street.

After grabbing the cash, the suspect fled West on Spring Garden Road.

Carr said there was no

sign of a weapon and nobody was hurt during the incident.

Police continue to look for the suspect who is described as a

white man in his 30s, about 5'10" with a portly build and wearing a purple, long-sleeved shirt, blue jeans, black-rimmed glasses and a baseball cap.

METRO HALIFAX

Wolfville lowers taxes

Two recent public meetings attracted several dozen citizens to the budget deliberations of Wolfville town council.

As a result of public input, the residential tax rate was reduced to the previous year's level of \$1.44 per \$100 of assessment. The commercial tax rate reflected the reduction in Business Occupancy Tax

and was tabled at \$3.41.

In order to offset a revenue reduction of \$203,742, several programs were cut, including the satellite tourist bureau at Grand Pré — including a parks consultant — as well as beautification programs. There were also reductions to several festival and events programs.

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»news In Brief

» **DIGBY** By the end of next year, it is expected the 20 wind turbines in the Rossway-Gulliver Cove area of Digby Neck will be generating 30 megawatts of power — enough to supply electricity to 10,000 homes. Digby Wind Park is a joint project of the community-owned and operated company Scottish WindFields and SkyPower

Corp., who announced May 14 they have signed a 20-year contract with Nova Scotia Power. Scottish WindFields is a Nova Scotia company whose board of directors includes two Digby area residents, while SkyPower is a leading developer of wind and solar energy in Canada.

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Income gap needs attention: MP

McDonough says province, feds, not doing enough

By ROBYN YOUNG
Metro Halifax

As the gap between the rich

and the poor continues to grow in the country, and Halifax MP Alexa McDonough says neither the provincial nor federal governments are doing enough to stop it.

The New Democrat MP was home from Ottawa yes-

terday, hosting a public discussion at Veith House with a panel of experts on Canada's growing income gap.

A study recently released by the Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives



McDonough

found that incomes for the richest one per cent of the population have been growing steadily while the "new normal" for Canada's middle 90 per cent is "stagnant or declining real

wages, despite unprecedented improvements in education and skills."

McDonough said the gap is widening "because of the predictable outcome of policies that governments are consciously choosing to im-

plement."

She applauded Nova Scotia NDP Leader Darrell Dexter for voting against the Conservative budget yesterday, saying the budget was missing pieces that would narrow the gap.

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Bloomfield Centre to get redesign

By RACHEL BOOMER
Metro Halifax

The city has hired an award-winning architecture firm to plan the future of the Bloomfield Centre, the north-end community centre many feared was destined for the wrecking ball.

In the next month or so, McKay Lyons Sweetapple will report to the city on how the former school, parts of which date back to 1919, could be used in the future.

"The train to destruction has slowed, maybe stopped and possibly turned around," said Susanna Fuller of the community group Imagine Bloomfield, which fought to save the centre.

In 2005, the city began evicting tenants of the Common Building, one of three buildings on the site, citing mould concerns. A city report suggested the old buildings, which hadn't been well-maintained and was largely

occu- **« The train to destruction has slowed. »**
pied by
com- Bloomfield member
munity, Susanna Fuller
needed
about \$6.6 million in repairs.

At the time, the report suggested major portions of the site be sold to pay for the repairs, or to fund services elsewhere.

Halifax North End Coun. Patrick Murphy said a new Bloomfield could include a doctor's clinic, some affordable housing or perhaps a credit union, along with the current gym, home to regular floor hockey games, and classrooms used by community groups.

He said the Fielding and Common building, the oldest two parts of the building, should be restored.

"It will be a good opportunity to reinvent the site."

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canada



A Winnipeg man who asked his lover to carve a heart-shaped symbol on his chest during a rough sex game almost died when she accidentally pressed too hard, puncturing his heart yesterday. **REUTERS**

Plan B pill now available in B.C.

Canada becomes fifth country to legalize drug

By **KRISTEN THOMPSON**
Metro Vancouver

British Columbia women who need an emergency contraceptive might soon be able to grab one right off the pharmacy shelf.

Yesterday, Plan B — also known as the morning-after pill — was granted over-the-counter status by the National Association of Pharmacy Regulatory Au-

thorities.

Canada became the fifth country in the world to do so, but the B.C. College of Pharmacists must also give its approval before Plan B moves from behind the counter.

Until yesterday, Plan B was available without a prescription but women had to ask a pharmacist for it.

Marshall Moleschi, registrar with the B.C. College of Pharmacists, said a recommendation to the provincial government

must still be made, but it will likely be approved in a few months.

pill's use

» Plan B can be used within three days of unprotected sex to prevent pregnancy. The pill retails for about \$20-\$25 and is 95 per cent effective.

Protest Safe injection site



Joey Only and Leah Martin held a peaceful vigil in front of Prime Minister Stephen Harper's constituency office in Calgary yesterday. The pair are travelling across Canada lobbying for protection of Vancouver's Insite Safe Injection site.

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» **BERNIER** It was discovered yesterday that Foreign Affairs Minister Maxime Bernier billed \$70,000 for a flight he

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Whether summer brings smog or clear skies, Parisians interested to know the quality of the air they breathe need only look up. A giant helium-filled balloon already floating near the Eiffel Tower will be lit with colours that change from green to red depending on pollution levels. **REUTERS**

Toll may top 50,000

China struggling to bury dead, help victims after quake

China struggled late yesterday to bury the dead and offer relief to those left injured, homeless and without food and water by the earthquake that may have killed more than 50,000 people.

From the heart of the disaster zone in the southwestern province of Sichuan, where the 7.9 magnitude quake struck on Monday,



Troops mobilized

China has mobilized 130,000 army and paramilitary troops to the disaster area, but the quake buckled roads and triggered mountain landslides, meaning that relief supplies and rescuers have struggled to reach the worst-hit areas.

Chinese Premier Wen Jiabao urged rescuers on, but hopes were fading for those still trapped under rubble.

"Saving lives is still our top priority as long as hope of survival still exists," the official Xinhua news agency quoted Wen as saying.

About 20,000 are con-

firmed dead from the quake and at least another 25,000 remain buried.

In the Sichuan town of Yingxiu, where bodies were lined up along the river bank, a Communist Party official warned that epidemics could break out if bodies were not soon buried. **REUTERS**

California Landmark ruling



Shelly Bailes, left, and her partner Ellen Pontac, hug after hearing a decision by California's Supreme Court in San Francisco yesterday. The California Supreme Court ruled the state cannot bar same-sex marriages, marking a major victory for gay rights advocates that may have national implications.

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» **POLITICS** U.S. President George W. Bush yesterday decried his critics' calls for negotiations with Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad as comparable to the "appeasement" of Adolf Hitler before WWII.

» **CYCLONE** Myanmar's military government said yesterday its cyclone relief effort was moving along swiftly even as foreign powers warned of starvation and disease among up to 2.5 million people left destitute by the storm.

» **LEBANON** Rival Lebanese leaders are scheduled to talks in Qatar today aiming to end a protracted political conflict that pushed the country to the brink of a new civil war. Leaders of the U.S.-backed ruling coalition and the Hezbollah-led opposition will try to forge a deal to end the standoff which has paralysed government for 18 months and left Lebanon without a president since November. An Arab League mediation mission sealed an agreement yesterday which ended fighting between ruling coalition supporters and Hezbollah, which is backed by Iran. **REUTERS**

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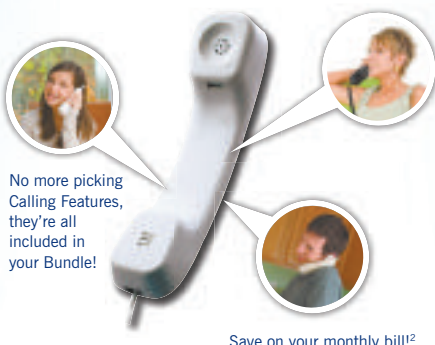
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CAW reaches agreements with Chrysler and GM

Buyouts for GM's Windsor workers part of agreement

The Canadian Auto Workers union reached tentative contracts with General Motors and Chrysler LLC yesterday, wrapping up a lightning round of talks with Detroit automakers intended to protect workers from an even deeper downturn in the industry.

With five months remaining on the current contracts, the deals marked the earliest agreements ever negotiated by the Canadian union, which rushed to clinch deals with two of the Big Three automakers on the same day, a first since its 1985 split from the U.S.-based United Auto Workers.

CAW President Buzz Hargrove said the pay and benefit arrangements of the three-year agreements for



CAW President Buzz Hargrove, left, shakes hands yesterday with Cheryl Ollila, Director of Labour Relations, GM Canada at the Sheraton Centre in Toronto.



North American minivan hub

» Hargrove said Chrysler told the union its Windsor, Ont. assembly plant would remain its main North American production hub for its minivans, keeping three shifts of unionized employees there as long as demand holds up.

GM and Chrysler follow the same pattern as the deal made with Ford on May 4.

"We see more dark clouds

in the short-term on the horizon, especially if we didn't have our collective agreements in place," said

Hargrove.

The current agreements expire on Sept. 16 at midnight.

Hargrove said protecting employees in the face of major layoffs was the union's priority in the GM talks. Windsor, Ont. workers, whose plant is closing, will be offered buyouts of up to \$125,000.

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pertise to the project.

Award winners ready to roll'em:

Three Halifax producers are closer to creating television programs after receiving the 2008 Bridge Award. Jeff Coll, Chris Pauley and Steve Richard will produce their projects with \$40,000 in equity funding with the finished program broadcasted on CBC. Co-sponsored by Film Nova Scotia and CBC Television, the award provides up-and-coming talent a chance to produce a program for broadcast in the Atlantic region. More information on the CBC/Film Nova Scotia Bridge Award can be found online at www.film.ns.ca/programs_bridgeaward.asp.

Tourism campaign announced: Nova Scotia's 2008 tourism market-

ing campaign was announced recently. The theme this year is So Much To Do — Make Nova Scotia Your Favourite Place. The marketing campaign will consist of new television, radio, print and online advertising, and promote Nova Scotia to potential and return visitors in the key markets of Atlantic Canada, western Canada, Quebec, Ontario, northeastern United States, United Kingdom and Germany. For more information on the province's tourism marketing campaign or to view the ads, visit www.novascotia.com/media

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» **MANUFACTURING** The ailing U.S. economy and an ongoing auto industry slump caused an unexpectedly sharp 1.6 per cent drop in Canadian manufacturing sales in March after two months of gains, said Statistics Canada.

» **RETAIL** Sears, Canada's second-largest department store chain, plans to open its doors to selected customers on Victoria Day in what critics are saying is a violation of the Retail Business Holidays Act.

» **LUMBER** Canada is concerned a plan to tighten rules for U.S.-Canadian lumber trade, included in a giant U.S. bill which looks likely to become law, will pose new problems for its timber industry, the Canadian embassy in Washington said.

» **TELECOM** The country's top telecom watchdog, the CRTC, wants BCE Inc. to explain exactly how and why it decided to slow down certain file-sharing traffic on wholesale networks it leases to smaller independent Internet service providers. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Housing market 'coming off the boil'

Home sales 15% lower than last year, says report

Canada's housing market is "coming off the boil" with the average resale home price in Canada registering its first inflation-adjusted quarterly decline in seven years, says a Scotiabank report.

Existing home sales have now fallen for four consecutive months while running at 15 per cent below last year's

levels, says the bank.

The cooling is most evident in western cities such as Calgary and Edmonton, as both centres, according to the bank, have "officially moved into buyers' territory."

Adjusted for inflation, average resale prices have fallen by more than 1 per cent in the first quarter of the year, compared with gains of more than 2 per cent in earlier quarters.

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Dany Heatley, left, is closing in on Canadian records for goals and points at the world hockey championships. He has 10 goals, one shy of the Eric Lindros' record, and 16 points, four behind Steve Yzerman's mark.

METRO HALIFAX

New venue, same goal

Canada moves to Quebec City in search of IIHF gold

By MATTHEW WUEST
Metro Halifax

Canada's pleasure cruise to the semifinals of the world hockey championships has landed in Quebec City.

The dominant squad bid farewell to Halifax immediately following Wednesday's 8-2 thumping of Norway at the Metro Centre, ending a stretch of more than two weeks in the city.

Canada gets a fresh start — not that one is needed — at the Pepsi Colisee as it faces Sweden today at 6 p.m.

"We enjoyed our time in Halifax — the people were great and the fans were great," said Canadian forward Derek Roy, who is coming off a three-goal, one-assist outing. "We've just got to bring this energy and momentum to Quebec."

Canada demolished pretty much every team it faced in Halifax, going on a glorious 7-0 run while outscoring opponents by an average of 6-2 and nearly doubling them in shots.

Sweden has gone 5-2, with losses to Russia and Switzerland. New York Rangers goaltender Henrik Lundqvist is the star of a mostly anonymous team, while NHL rookie-of-the-year candidate Nicklas Backstrom is the team's best-known forward.



MATTHEW BRANDEGER/REUTERS

Team Canada's Pascal Leclaire splashes his face with water during practice yesterday for the 2008 IIHF World Championships in Quebec City. The former Halifax Mooseheads goaltender is expected to get the start today when Canada takes on Sweden in one semifinal game.

Only nine players on the roster played in the NHL last season.

"They look exactly the same as they do in all these world championships," Canadian head coach Ken Hitchcock said. "Quick, great puck movement, great mobility up front, and one of the best goalies in the world. They'll be a handful."

Former Halifax Mooseheads goaltender Pascal Leclaire will start, but Hitch-

cock will likely rotate back to Cam Ward if Canada plays in Sunday's gold-medal game at 2 p.m.

Ward said the change of scenery isn't a big deal for the team, even though Sweden is already in a comfort

zone. Canada held training camp in Quebec City and played a pair of exhibition games at the Pepsi Colisee before arriving in Halifax.

"It's not going to be too much of a surprise for us," Ward said. "We know the rink and we know the atmosphere. It's been a lot of fun in Halifax for two weeks, but we're excited to see some new opponents and rise to another challenge."

Canada, the defending champion, is hoping to become the first host team in two decades to win a world title.

Russia and Finland face off in the other semifinal at 2 p.m. Both semifinals will be televised live on TSN.

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THE DAILY NEWS FILE PHOTO

Hockey Canada president Bob Nicholson, left, and IIHF president Rene Fasel are shown in this file photo. Nicholson said Hockey Canada will be returning to Halifax.

Hockey Canada will be back soon

By MATTHEW WUEST
Metro Halifax

Bob Nicholson says Hockey Canada will return soon.

Hockey Canada's president addressed the media on Wednesday night as the world hockey championship came to a close in Halifax after drawing 203,925 fans over 25 games.

"This city is the only city that has hosted the world juniors (2003), world women's (2004) and world men's, and we would have taken these numbers when we started in a heartbeat," he said. "We'll be in Halifax for other events — that's for sure."

Halifax took some heat for its attendance numbers during the worlds. The average crowd was 8,157 per game — about 1,000 fewer than capacity — and the Metro Centre didn't sell out for a couple

early Canadian contests.

Nicholson said he was "disappointed" and International Ice Hockey Federation president Rene Fasel said he was "very much surprised" that some home games didn't sell out.

"We'll have to go back and look at (pricing). Other people have said it was 4:30 start times — so what was the reason?" Nicholson said. "Or was it just that people weren't educated about the tournament? As the tournament grew, the fans filled the building."

Trade Centre Ltd. president and CEO Fred MacGillivray said Halifax did "all of the things that make a tournament successful," and surpassed the target of 200,000 fans.

"Halifax can certainly look at the shiny brass buttons on their vest and say, 'Job well done,'" MacGillivray said.

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Mooseheads

MacMillan signs AHL contract

TRYOUT Halifax Mooseheads forward Logan MacMillan has signed an amateur tryout contract with the American Hockey League's Portland Pirates.

The Anaheim Ducks prospect will join the NHL club's top minor-league affiliate for the AHL semifinals against the Wilkes-Barre Scranton Penguins.

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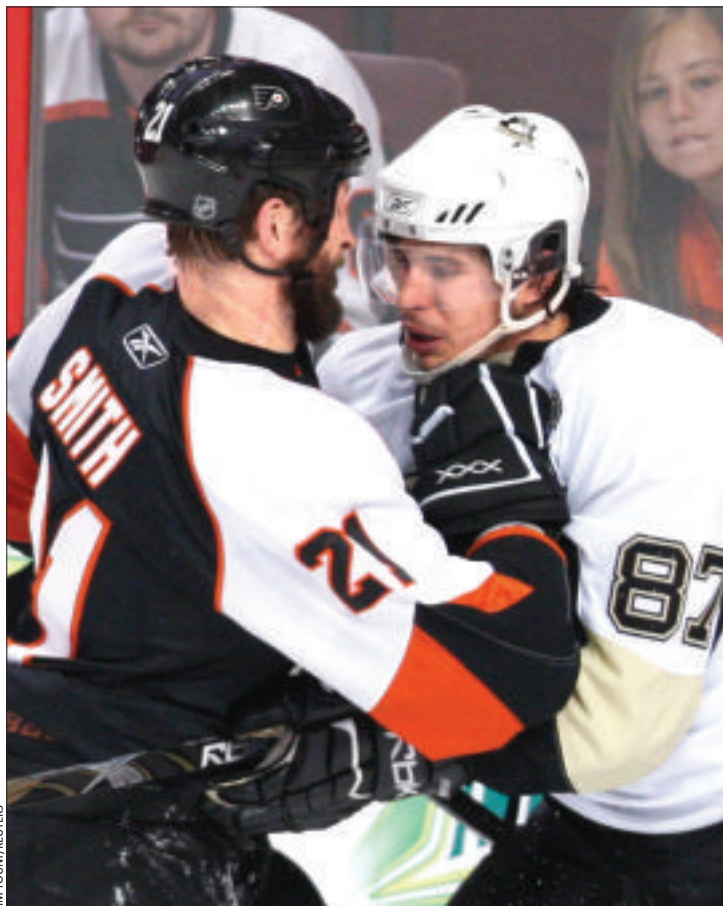
- » **PADDLING** The Pan American canoe-kayak championships are being held in Montreal this weekend and spots at the Summer Olympic Games in Beijing are up for grabs. Kayakers Andrew Russell of Dartmouth and Karen Furneaux of Waverley are among the front-runners to earn Olympic spots this summer.
- » **VOLLEYBALL** Saint Mary's Huskies rookie Kerri Smit of Shubenacadie has been named to Canada's women's volleyball team. She will play the 2008 season as Canada works toward the

- 2010 world championship and 2012 Olympic Games.
- » **SAILING** Paul Tingley of Halifax's Royal Nova Scotia Yacht Squadron finished second yesterday in the 2.4-metre test event for August's Paralympic Games in Qingdao, China.
- » **HOCKEY** Halifax's Tom Coolen has resurfaced after being signed as head coach of the Amarillo (Texas) Gorillas this week. The former Acadia Axemen bench boss last coached in the Finnish SM-liiga with HIFK Helsinki in 2006.

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Retired NBA star Charles Barkley, right, promised yesterday to repay a \$400,000 US gambling debt he owes a Las Vegas casino after a prosecutor said Barkley faced criminal charges.

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Philadelphia Flyers Jason Smith, left, jostles with Pittsburgh Penguins Sidney Crosby, from Cole Harbour, last night during Game 4 of their NHL Eastern Conference final in Philadelphia. The Flyers won 4-2 to force Game 5 Sunday in Pittsburgh.

Flyers stay alive

Philadelphia avoids sweep with 4-2 victory

FLYERS 4 PENGUINS 2

Martin Biron made 36 saves to help the Philadelphia Flyers to a 4-2 win over the Pittsburgh Penguins, avoiding elimination in Game 4 of the Eastern Conference finals last night in Philadelphia.

Joffrey Lupul scored twice while Danny Briere and Jeff Carter each scored for the Flyers, who forced a Game 5, which will take place in Pittsburgh Sunday afternoon. Scott Hartnell had three assists in the game.

"Tonight's win gives us confidence and it's definitely something to build off of," said Philadelphia forward Mike Richards. "Momentum

long row to hoe

» Philadelphia is looking to become just the third team to come back from a 3-0 post-season series deficit. The New York Islanders achieved the feat in the 1975 quarter-finals against the Penguins and the 1942 Toronto Maple Leafs recovered from an 0-3 hole to defeat Detroit in the Stanley Cup finals.

is such a big thing in the playoffs. We will be going to Pittsburgh and maybe we can squeak out a win there."

Jordan Staal scored both goals while Marc-Andre Fleury made 30 saves for the Penguins, who are looking to advance to the Stanley Cup finals for the first time since 1992.

The Flyers came storming out of the gates in the first period and took the play to Pittsburgh.

Philadelphia took a 1-0 lead at the 8:27 mark of the opening frame as Lupul blasted a slapshot from the right circle that tipped off a Penguin stick and sailed over

the left shoulder of Fleury.

The Flyers then scored a pair of power-play goals to take a 3-0 lead into the second period.

With Sergei Gonchar in the box, Randy Jones blasted a shot from the high slot that Fleury stopped. However, Briere was behind the defence and swept in the rebound from down low with 8:12 left in the period.

Near the end of the frame, R.J. Umberger fired a shot from the right point that was stopped by Fleury. Carter, though, dug out the puck and backhanded it into the net.

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Big Brown is big favourite

Kentucky Derby winner seeks to stay unbeaten

The only question surrounding tomorrow's Preakness Stakes appears to be the margin of victory for unbeaten and untested Kentucky Derby champion Big Brown.

With four victories in four starts by a combined 34 lengths, the strapping bay son of Boundary looks to be heading for a Preakness triumph and then a shot at racing's elusive Triple Crown.

"It looks like it's Big Brown's party," Yankee Bravo trainer Paddy Gallagher said of the \$1-million Preakness at the Pimlico Race Course. "We're just glad to be a part of it."

Big Brown rolled to an easy 4½-length victory at the Derby two weeks ago and,

Preakness post positions, odds

» Following are the starters for tomorrow's \$1-million Preakness Stakes, post position, jockey and morning line odds:

- » 1) Macho Again, Jockey: Julien Leparoux, Morning Line Odds: 20-1
- 2) Tres Borrachos, Tyler Baze, 30-1
- 3) Icabod Crane, Jeremy Rose, 30-1
- 4) Yankee Bravo, Alex Solis, 15-1
- 5) Behindatthebar, David Flo-

res, 10-1

- 6) Racecar Rhapsody, Robby Albarado, 30-1
- 7) Big Brown, Kent Desormeaux, 1-2
- 8) Kentucky Bear, Jamie Theriot, 15-1
- 9) Stevil, John Velazquez, 30-1
- 10) Riley Tucker, Edgar Prado, 30-1
- 11) Giant Moon, Ramon Dominguez, 30-1
- 12) Gayego, Mike Smith, 8-1
- 13) Hey Byrn, C.C. Lopez, 20-1

out of respect or just common sense, almost all his rivals have decided to skip the Preakness.

Only Arkansas Derby winner Gayego, who finished 17th in the 20-horse race at Churchill Downs, decided to make the trip to Baltimore for the middle jewel of U.S. racing's Triple Crown.

Trainer Richard Dutrow

Jr. appeared as confident of his colt as the Pimlico morning-line oddsmaker, who made Big Brown a prohibitive 1-2 favourite for the 133rd Preakness.

"Since he's come out of the Derby, up to this minute, I'm very, very happy with the horse," Dutrow told reporters yesterday.

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Maria Sharapova will take over as world No. 1 next week after Justine Henin asked to be removed from the rankings following her retirement, the governing body of women's tennis (WTA) said yesterday.

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Avery tilts on Pinball

Barking up the wrong tree these days is John Avery, who has damaged his CFL status by insulting and criticizing Michael Clemons.

This is tantamount to, say, dissing Mother Teresa. I mean, seriously, how foolish can you be?

In his two decades as a Hall of Fame player, coach and executive with the Toronto Argonauts, Pinball Clemons has established himself as the CFL's version of Mother Teresa, with countless acts of kindness, humanity and benevolence. Heck, this is a dude who once removed the shoes from his feet, gave them to a needy child in an Ottawa hospital and then walked to his hotel room in his socks — IN THE RAIN!

No one knocks Pinball. No

one, that is, except Avery, who was released by the Argos in January after four years of under-achieving as a highly-paid running back. Clemons was Avery's coach.

We figured Clemons showed remarkable patience in keeping Avery on the payroll. Avery didn't see it that way.

"The biggest disappointment I had was Clemons," Avery told reporters earlier this month. "He brought me in and made me believe he had my best interests in mind and was going to look out for me. (Then) he basically stepped back and let (negative developments) hap-

pen."

Now, Avery can't find a CFL job. Even the Hamilton Pussy-Cats flatly rejected him.

This is a league that will employ drug addicts and potheads and convicts and troublemakers and NFL discards

such as Andre Rison, Ricky Williams, David Boston, Charles Rogers and, soon, maybe even Chris Henry, but there's no room in the CFL for John Avery.

This is what happens when you have the audacity to backstab Michael Clemons.

» Soon, when the Tampa Bay Lightning fire John Tor-



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torella, there will be seven NHL teams without a coach... There's no reason to suggest U.S. President George W. Bush knows more about baseball than anything else, but he likes the Blue Jays' Roy Halladay. Halladay is 4-5. Bush said: "He's a steady guy. He burns up innings."

» More on maple bats: Philadelphia Phillies general manager Pat Gillick compares them to "missiles" and is openly worried about the safety of fans in the stands.

For details, and to find out which MLB star paid off a \$2,500 bet with pennies, check out my latest MLB Report, exclusively at www.metronews.ca.

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San Antonio Spurs Tim Duncan, left, takes the ball to the hoop past New Orleans Hornets Tyson Chandler last night during Game 6 of their second-round NBA playoff series in San Antonio. The Spurs won 99-80 to force a Game 7.

Ginobili paces Spurs

Manu Ginobili's six three-pointers highlighted his game-high 25 points as the San Antonio Spurs forced a deciding Game 7 with a dominant 99-80 victory over the New Orleans Hornets in Game 6 of their Western Conference semifinal series last night in San Antonio.

Each game in this series has been won by the home team by double-digits, and New Or-

leans hopes the trend continues when it hosts the defending champions on Monday for the final game of the back-and-forth series.

Tim Duncan had 20 points, a game-high 15 boards and six assists for San Antonio, which shot 11-of-21 from behind the arc in the win.

Chris Paul had 21 points and eight assists for the Hornets.

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baseball

Brewers lock up Braun for 8 years

SIGNING The Milwaukee Brewers have signed left-fielder Ryan Braun to an eight-year, \$45-million US contract, the team said yesterday.

Braun hit .324 with 34 home runs last season.

The 24-year-old Californian would not have been eligible for arbitration until the 2010-11 off-season and for free agency until 2013-14.

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» **HORSE RACING** Eight Belles, the filly who collapsed after the Kentucky Derby and was euthanized, suffered compound fractures of both front legs at the ankles, a necropsy report released yesterday revealed. The necropsy found no pre-existing bone abnormalities, Kentucky's chief veterinarian Lyle Nichols said in a statement.

» **FOOTBALL** A planned competitor to the National Football League has identified the eight markets it would like to open with next year. The United Football League said in May 2007 it would begin play with eight teams in August 2008. However, it postponed the launch to 2009.

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Fantasy turns into reality

"Suddenly I'm in one of these movies that's like what I grew up on and it's such a thrill," says actor Peter Dinklage, who plays dwarf Trumpkin in new movie The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian.

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music



With *Home Before Dark*, Neil Diamond, left, has landed his first chart-topping album. The Columbia release, debuting at No. 1 on the Billboard 200 with 146,000 first-week U.S. sales, according to Nielsen SoundScan.

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Duffy

Album: *Rockferry*
Label: A&M/Rough Trade
Release Date: May 13



DUFFY IS THE LATEST

in the line of female '60s soul revivalists from the U.K., but *Rockferry* showcases a fresh mix of that era's more elegant elements. Sweeps of string sections, smooth guitar licks and tambourine shakes complement the arrangements, creating a stark but classic Motown feel with just the right blend of tenderness and drama. The production is thick, but suits a voice that crosses somewhere between Dusty Springfield and Diana Ross, helping these love songs soar away from standard retro ground. While Duffy may lack the power of classic girl-groups, of all the

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new soul sirens she may be the leader of the pack.

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Death Cab For Cutie

Album: *Narrow Stairs*
Label: Atlantic Records
Release Date: May 13



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LEAD guitarist Chris Walla as "having teeth," *Death Cab For Cutie's* *Narrow Stairs* is a departure from the band's usual delicate fare. Though sonically similar to 2005's *Plans*, *Stairs* is a vastly darker, yet strangely compelling album bordering on the line of despair. Comprised of ghostly guitar riffs, distorted vocals, and layers of disorienting feedback, the



albums' bold new arrangements perfectly complement front man Ben Gibbard's harrowing lyrics.

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Neil Diamond

Album: *Home Before Dark*
Label: Columbia Records
Release Date: May 6



DIAMOND SOLICITS THE

help of Rick Rubin, and the producer's touch is evident: Much like the late Johnny Cash's *American Recordings* series, it opts for a pared-down sound steeped in solitude and introspection. Fearing loneliness at 67, his muse is his girlfriend (If I Don't See You Again). *Home Before Dark* has great moments (a duet with Dixie Chick Natalie Maines on *Another Day That Time Forgot*), but can also skirt the maudlin (*No Words*).

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Buskers to hit town

Talented entertainers from all over the world are all set to hit the Halifax waterfront when we kick off the 22nd annual Halifax International Busker Fest Aug. 7. The Calypso Tumblers, who will be traveling from the U.S. for the Busker Fest, will be sure to attract a crowd after introducing their unique Acro-tumbling on America's got talent. Victor Rubilar, who holds a four-time record for soccer ball juggling, is making the trek all the way from Sweden to perform.

While the Busker Fest will give us the opportunity to experience talent from all over the world, it will also remind us of all of the talented performers



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that were born and raised right here. Nova Scotia magician Patrick Drake will join local dance, skipping and variety groups, as the waterfront becomes their hometown stage.

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tastes from all over to the Halifax waterfront to enjoy the entertainment.

If you're craving entertainment sooner, don't forget that Z103.5 just launched our fifth mix CD presented by DJ NoLuv — Z103.5's Hit Mix 2008. The official CD launch party happened last night at Big Leagues in Dartmouth.

Last but not least, don't forget that voting is underway for the Toyota Yaris DJ Stylus Awards. Vote online at www.z103halifax.com, and don't miss the winner being announced at the nomination party on May 23 at Embassy Nightclub.

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A worthy follow-up

The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian

Stars Ben Barnes, Georgie Henley

Director Andrew Adamson



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By CHRIS ATCHISON
for Metro Halifax

REVIEW IT'S NO SECRET that special effects advances in the past 15 years have dramatically changed the movie-going experience.

Nowhere is this more noticeable than in the science fiction and fantasy genres where scenes that at one time would have been impossible to shoot are now realized with seeming ease using sophisticated computer-generated imagery.

The Chronicles Of Narnia films are a perfect example of these advancements put to good use, the latest installment of which — Prince Caspian — proves once again that filmmakers are treating fantasy novels with loving respect when it comes time to adapt them for the big screen.

The second film in the series — based on the second of author C.S. Lewis' Narnia books — sees Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy transported from Second World War London to Narnia through a subway station.

One year has passed in Earth time since their last



Ben Barnes stars in The Chronicles of Narnia: Prince Caspian.

adventure, translating to about 1,300 Narnian years. Much has changed in the mystical world as the talking animals and creatures that once dominated the landscape have long since faded into folklore.

Now the Telmarines, a race of humans, control the land.

A cast of characters, including the Black Dwarf Nikabrik (Warwick Davis), the cynical dwarf Trumpkin (Peter Dinklage) and a swashbuckling mouse named Reepicheep (Eddie Izzard), help the four Pevensie kids restore Narnia to its former glory.

Oscar-nominated director Andrew Adamson (Shrek, Shrek 2) does a fine job bringing Lewis' story to life with a blend of old-fashioned sword fights and dazzling special effects — the climactic

final battle is spectacular and well worth the wait.

His screenplay, co-written with Christopher Markus and Stephen McFeely, is a satisfying continuation from where The Lion, The Witch, and the Wardrobe left off, all the while incorporating theatrical scenes that only build on Lewis' brilliantly-detailed story.

It should be noted, however, that seeing The Lion, The Witch And The Wardrobe is important for those who actually want to follow the storyline.

It's not impossible to pick up on the action, but it will only enhance the viewing experience for fans in yet another well-casted, well-written entry into what will surely be a long-running Narnia series.

Spurlock strikes again

Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden?

Director Morgan Spurlock



PG

By STEVE GOW
for Metro Halifax

REVIEW BY FEASTING on fatty foods for his hit documentary Super Size Me, Morgan Spurlock wrestled with one of the world's biggest corporate fast-food giants. Now, with Where in the World Is Osama bin Laden?, Spurlock is upsizing his canvass to take on another international brand name — al Qaeda.

As he did with Super Size Me, Spurlock takes center stage, exposing himself first-hand to the Muslim world in search of al Qaeda's lead conductor.

Why, you ask? Well, as in all big summer action flicks, it always comes down to "one lonely man" to catch the bad dude.

Of course, that's only the MacGuffin. In reality, Spurlock goes to shed



Morgan Spurlock joins the hunt for America's Most Wanted.

light on the cultural misconceptions between the Middle East and America.

At this, he does make a few discoveries but mainly, we just learn that both Starbuck's and pro wrestling are popular the world over.

Unlike his confrontational counterpart Michael Moore (Sicko), Spurlock's approach works best because he genuinely seems earnest, interested and looking for a laugh. There's

surely no denying Spurlock's charm and he keeps things moving using various animated devices (like Osama dancing to M.C. Hammer's "You Can't Touch This" for instance).

However, the problem here is that the movie pretty much exposes what most folks likely already know — that America is suffering a terrible PR problem in the Middle East.

After spending a week in Egypt, Spurlock is surprised to find that America's image is damaged. Hell, I could've told him that before he jumped on the plane.

In the end, you may not find yourself enlightened, but then again, maybe you will. A lot of people were shocked to find out eating nothing but cheeseburgers is bad for you too.

Quote OF THE WEEK

"It's flattering that anybody still cares about these characters. But it's like an amoeba — ever-growing and out of control."

— Sarah Jessica Parker to ew.com on the upcoming Sex And The City: The Movie

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Dinklage trumps Trumpkin

Actor felt natural fit with Prince Caspian

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Halifax

FEATURE LIKE SO MANY people born in the late 1960s, actor Peter Dinklage (*The Station Agent*) grew up in George Lucas' alternate universe where wookies, jawas, droids and a mysterious power called the Force ruled the day. He would

watch and re-watch the Star Wars movies relentlessly, finding himself transfixed by their otherworldly storylines, conflicted characters and cutting-edge special effects.

It's no surprise, then, that he leapt at the chance to play Trumpkin, a cynical red dwarf, in *The Chronicles Of Narnia: Prince Caspian*, the second film in the Narnia series based on the novels of famed children's fantasy writer C.S. Lewis. "I grew up on Star Wars and suddenly

I'm in one of these movies that's like what I grew up on and it's such a thrill," Dinklage says. "I love movies about the modern day miseries of living in New York and stuff like that if they're done well, but there's nothing like a matinee fantasy film." The success and overwhelming number of films or full-blown franchises based on fantasy novels that have been produced in the past ten years or so — Harry Potter, *The Lord Of The Rings* and *The Golden Com-*

pass, for example — are proof that movie-going audiences share Dinklage's love of the genre.

The 38-year-old actor considers that perspective a unique one.

His stature often leads to his casting as mythical characters in film so by his own assessment, Dinklage knows a worthwhile fantasy film elf or dwarf when he sees one. He feels the rich characterizations of the Narnia stories have given the books a definitive literary relevance that

has maintained their popularity since first being published by Lewis in the 1950s. "Being four-and-a-half feet tall I've always thought that dwarves and characters like that in fantasy books were really set dressing, were just creatures and didn't have personalities," he says. "But with these books, all of them, even the talking mouse, are really fully-drawn characters and bring you into that world."

To play Trumpkin, Dinklage drew on the fantasy

heroes of his youth and applied elements of their personalities to bring his crusty character to life.

"There's a modern sensibility to Trumpkin, he has a modern wit about him and about his size and, like me, a sense of humour about my size," he says.

"I'm always drawn to the sense of humour in the fantasy world where sword fights are happening all around you, and you need that core of cynicism and humour."

Next up: Most wanted man

Spurlock follows McDonald's with Osama Bin Laden

By **CHRIS ATCHISON**
for Metro Halifax

FEATURE IN APRIL 2004, few had heard of writer-producer-director Morgan Spurlock, whose credits to that point included just a handful of plays and a gross-out show for MTV called *I Bet You Will*. One month later his documentary *Super Size Me* was released, chronicling the one month Spurlock spent on a steady diet of McDonald's — three Mcmeals a day, no exceptions, resulting in an extra 24 pounds

tacked onto his normally lean frame. The film was nominated that year for the Academy Award for best documentary, but ultimately lost to Ross Kauffman and Zana Briski's *Born Into Brothels*. Then in 2006, Spurlock decided to embark on yet another extreme filmmaking mission. This time around instead of taking on fast food giants, he would take on public enemy number one — terrorist leader and 9/11 mastermind Osama Bin Laden — or at least try to find him in the new documentary *Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden?* The five month shoot took Spurlock to a variety of Middle Eastern locales ranging from Afghanistan's danger-

ous Tora Bora region, to the relatively peaceful neighbourhoods of Jerusalem in a pursuit of Al Qaeda's number one man — assuming he was still alive and at large. But in the midst of the project, Spurlock learned he and his wife were due to have a baby, complicating his globe-trotting plans.

"Once I found out Alex and I were having a baby, the focus shifted to the kind of world I was bringing a kid into," Spurlock explains.

"We started adding to our list of terrorist experts, terrorists themselves and extremists, people with kids and families. I wanted to meet people like that who were what I was going to be. I'm going to be a father, give me some advice. What's it like being a dad? I wanted to try to connect with people on a level that's much different than a political view." Spurlock says the documentary was intended less as a statement about the war on terror, U.S. foreign policy and the cross-cultural similarities which exist but regularly elude us, than it was as a primer for a greater conversation about those issues and their impact on the world today. "One of the things I wanted the film to accomplish was to go beyond two-minute sound bites in the news," he says. "I think the film paints a

much larger picture of the state of the world, at least in the Middle East. Another thing I think the movie does really well is it starts to show the diversity of Islam ... there's a big range (of cultures in the Muslim world) and you see that in this movie." *Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden* opens today.

metro TOP 5

Harrison Ford films:

1. *Raiders Of The Lost Ark*
2. *Star Wars*
3. *Witness*
4. *The Fugitive*
5. *Blade Runner*, below

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Where In The World Is Osama Bin Laden director Morgan Spurlock.

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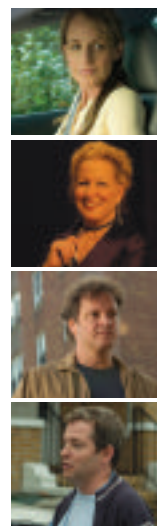
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Two-time Academy Award winner Daniel Day-Lewis may soon settle on his next project. The always-in-demand actor, who is known to be very picky with the roles he chooses, is in negotiations to star in *Nine* for director Rob Marshall (Chicago).

EW.COM

Indy returns after 19 years

Solid story impetus, co-star Allen says

By CHRIS ATCHISON
for Metro Halifax

FEATURE IT TOOK nearly two decades, but swashbuckling archaeologist Indiana Jones is finally back with bullwhip and fedora in-hand, ready to blast his way back into movie theatres.

The 19-year delay in returning the iconic adventurer to the big screen in the series' fourth installment, *Indiana Jones And The Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull*, has occupied fans of the series who have spent years begging for Indy's return.

His delay, it seems, was due in large part to quality control concerns on the part of his creators.

Producer George Lucas and di-

rector Steven Spielberg originally envisioned a trilogy which they completed in 1989 with *Indiana Jones And The Last Crusade*, according to *Raiders Of The Lost Ark* star Karen Allen (*Animal House*, *Starman*).

But when she got the call to reprise her role as the strong-willed Marion Ravenwood in *Kingdom Of The Crystal Skull*, Allen learned that a solid story idea, not a lack of will, had been stopping Lucas and Spielberg from bringing Indy to life once again.

"I think the real problem, as I know from conversations with George and Steven, is that they didn't see a point in doing one unless they could come up with a story that was really going to be great and worthy of continuing," Allen recalls.

This installment of the series

pits Dr. Jones against evil agents of the Soviet Union led by the villainous Irina Spalko (Oscar-winner Cate Blanchett) and includes a new sidekick, Mutt Williams (*Transformers*' Shia LaBeouf), who helps the adventurer in his quest to find the highly-coveted crystal skull.

While the film is probably the most hyped of this summer's blockbusters — and perhaps the most highly-anticipated movie in years — the 56-year-old Allen admits that when shooting began on *Raiders Of The Lost Ark*, she had no idea she was part of what would eventually become a cultural phenomenon.

"I had never seen those Saturday afternoon serials and I thought we were making *Casablanca*," Allen says of the short films upon which the *Indiana Jones* series was originally



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Karen Allen reprises her role as Marion Ravenwood in the newest *Indiana Jones* movie.

based. "I was too young an actor and had no sense of the experi-

ence of a blockbuster type of film."

But the question looms, why, after such a long hiatus, was *Indiana Jones* worth revisiting?

"I think it comes down to good storytelling," Allen explains. "(The stories are) mythic, there's suspense, there's humour and at the centre of the whole thing there's Harrison playing *Indiana Jones* who is a real, iconic hero.

"As George Lucas says, he's like you and me.

"He's not a superhero, he's a human hero. He has all kinds of foibles, all kinds of flaws. He can laugh at himself and make us laugh with him and I think there's something unique about that."

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Social Climber

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By Vanessa Craft
Contributing Writer

What's a busy young socialite to do when the summer party season is just around the corner and her diet of canapés and cocktails has left her a little squidgy around the edges? Those in the know call on health and fitness trainer Alex Reznik, who created The Socialite Workout specifically for high-profile party girls who can't afford to be camera shy.

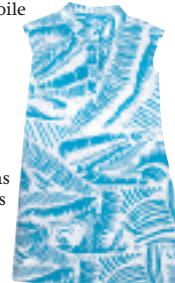
"A lot of clients were showing up for sessions after a night of partying," says Reznik

on his inspiration for the program. "They were clearly in no state to work out properly, but I still had to find a way to keep them in shape." The solution? Toning exercises that can largely be done on the floor.

It takes a careful balance of drill sergeant and gentle guide to successfully manage a savvy socialite's excuses for not working out, but part of Reznik's charm is that he takes it all in stride. "One time, I went to a client's house to train her privately," he remembers. "She opened the door, dressed to the nines, and said she wanted to treat me to breakfast so we could have a get-to-know-you chat. I told her we could get acquainted just as easily while she was on the treadmill."

Editors' Pick SUMMER SKETCHBOOK

In a season of bold textiles, Virginia Johnson's summer collection stands out with its simplicity: Sailboats and dandelions in fuchsia, teal and yellow decorate cotton-voile caftans and sundresses. "Prairie" evokes a dust storm, while "Chevrons" is a tribal motif recalling the African mudcloths that Johnson loves to collect (www.virginiajohnson.com).



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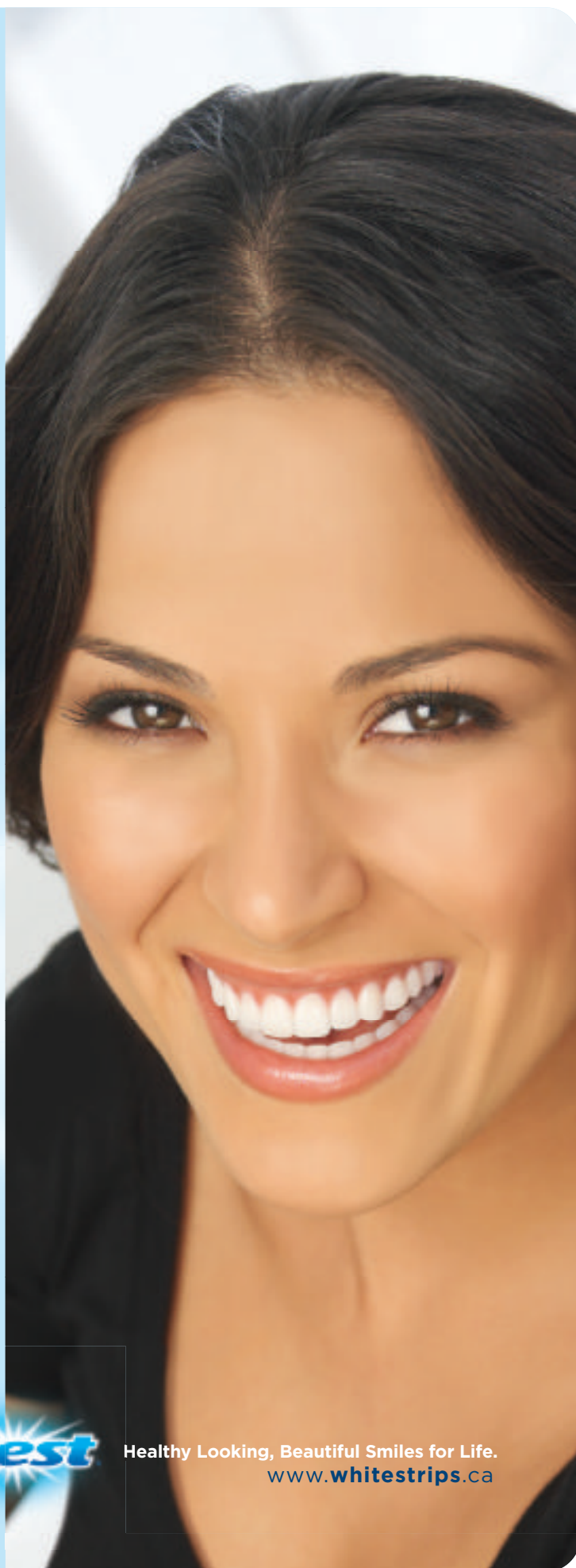
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The Leo Kesting Gallery in Manhattan has unveiled a life-sized monument featuring "puppy versions" of Oprah Winfrey's, left, cocker spaniel, Sophie, and golden Labrador retriever, Gracie — atop the talk-show icon's head.

SOURCE: WSOC-TV.COM

Fox network's comedies falling flat

IDIOT BOX
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FOX ON THE RUN: "It used to be that Fox could always be counted on to make something genuinely funny," wrote Tim Goodman in the San Francisco

Chronicle this week, surveying the wreckage at the end of this year's TV season, "a sitcom that was fearless in execution, wicked and original. But those days appear long gone," he laments, noting that Fox was, at least in 2007-2008, trying to be "CBS Lite" with shows like "Til Death and Back To

You — three-camera laugh track sitcoms featuring stars from recent hits that did little to push the envelope or appeal to young viewers. This sort of advice to innovate would be fine a world where Two And A Half Men isn't the biggest comedy in primetime and According To Jim didn't get

renewed year after year in spite of the fact that we're hard pressed to name a single person who watches it. Jim fans are, as far as we can tell, like the Nixon voters who gave him a landslide victory in 1972 despite the fact that people like New Yorker film critic Pauline Kael didn't know

anyone who cast their ballot for him.

After the cancellation last week of Back To You, star Kelsey Grammar didn't want to say goodbye so quickly, and a story on Reuters has him personally lobbying CBS and its chief exec to get the network to take on the show.

The chief exec said they were "thinking about it," but by Tuesday it looked like they'd had their think when Grammar talked to CBS' head of entertainment, Nina Tassler. "She dismissed it," Grammar recalled.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

FRIDAY

H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
31	31	31	ABC News (N)	ABC World News	Inside Edition	Chronicle	America's Funniest Home Videos (Season Finale) (N)	America's Funniest Home Videos (Season Finale) (N)	20/20		
7	7	7	ASN Twice in a Lifetime	Mike Bossy	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Avril Lavigne: Exclusive	CBC News: The National	Grey's Anat.		
11	11	11	CBC Diamonds	Evening News	The Insider (N)	Entertainment	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Moonlight Sonata (N)	The Hour		
32	32	32	CBS News (N)	ET Canada	Dr. Seuss' The Cat in the Hat ** (2003, Comedy)	NUMB3RS (N)	Comedy Inc.	Comedy Inc.	NUMB3RS (N)		
6	6	6	CHIF eTalk	Jeopardy! (N)	Moonlight Sonata (N)	Ghost Whisperer (N)	Comedy Inc.	Comedy Inc.	News (N)		
9	9	9	CJCH The Simpsons	King of the Hill	TwoHalf Men	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story *** (2004, Comedy)			News (N)		
36	36	36	FOX The Simpsons	King of the Hill	TwoHalf Men	Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story *** (2004, Comedy)			News (N)		
12	12	12	NBC News (N)	NBC News	Hollywood	Extra (N)	American Gladiators		News (N)		
55	55	55	SCOR Hockey Talk	Game On	World Series of Poker	WWE SmackDown!			Score Tonight		
53	53	53	TSN Hockey: IIHF World Champ. Semifinal		SportsCentre	NBA Basketball: Eastern Conference Semifinal Game 6 — Celtics at Cavaliers			Score Tonight		
16	16	16	A&E Cold Case Files (HDTV)	CSI: Miami (HDTV)	CSI: Miami "Invasion"	The Matrix *** (1999, Science Fiction)			CSI: Miami		
70	70	70	APTN First Talk	News	Rez Rides	renegade:press	Tears	Chiefs-Champ			
37	37	37	BRVO Street Legal	Comedy Now	Rhythm-Roots	Bravo! Fact	The First Wives Club *** (1996, Comedy)		Godiva's		
49	49	49	COM Laughs	Comedy Now	Air Force	22 Minutes	Corner Gas	Good Morning	Extras		
18	18	18	CNN (5) The Situation Room	Comedy Now	Daily Planet (N)	CNN Election Center	The Simpsons	South Park	Cooper 360		
38	38	38	DISC How It's Made	How It's Made	House Hunters	Buy Me	Green Homes	Extreme Home	A Haunting		
48	48	48	HGTV Holmes on Homes	Masterminds	JAG "Meltdown" (DVS)	Cities of the Underworld	Final 24 John Belushi	Selling Houses	Crime Stories		
46	46	46	HIST Disaster-Cent.	Masterminds	JAG "Meltdown" (DVS)	Cities of the Underworld	Final 24 John Belushi	Selling Houses	Crime Stories		
17	17	17	MM Punk'd	Video on Trial	The O.C. "The Escape"	Gone Wild	Video on Trial	Annapolis ** (2006, Drama) James Franco.	Webdreams		
206	206	206	PIX (6:30) Barton Fink (1991, Drama)		South Park: Bigger, Longer & Uncut	Cold Squad	Wedding SOS	The List	Birth Days (N)		
39	39	39	SHOW Trailer Park	Billable Hours	ReGenesis (HDTV)	Cold Squad	Wedding SOS	The List	Years Younger		
40	40	40	SLICE Three Takes	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	What Not to Wear	Oh So Cosmo		
21	21	21	TLC What Not to Wear	Shopping Bags	House	Sex and-City	Celebrity Yoyo Dieters	Step It Up & Dance	Death Note		
22	22	22	W Shopping Bags	Endurance	Ghost	Adrenaline Proj	Naruto	Avatar-Last Air			
27	27	27	YTV Prank Patrol								

SATURDAY

H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
31	31	31	ABC News (N)	World News Sat	Law & Order: SVU	Hitch *** (2005, Romance-Comedy)	Will Smith, Kevin James.				
7	7	7	ASN Corner Gas	Corner Gas	W-Five-My Messy Life	Stargate SG-1	Stargate Atlantis	The Collector			
11	11	11	CBC Sat. Report	Marketplace	The Nature of Things	Canada Russia '72 (2006, Docudrama)	Booth Savage.	Canada Russia			
32	32	32	CBS News (N)	CBS News	Entertainment Tonight	Cold Case "Thrill Kill"	CSI: NY (HDTV)	48 Hr. Mystery			
6	6	6	CHIF Real Fight Club	W-Five-My Messy Life	Mutant X "Wasteland"	Andromeda	renegade:press	renegade:press	News (N)		
9	9	9	CJCH W-Five-My Messy Life	MLB Baseball	Prom Queen (2004, Docudrama)	Aaron Ashmore. (DVS)	Comedy Inc.	Comedy Inc.	News (N)		
36	36	36	FOX MLB Baseball	Horse Racing	Access Hollywood (N)	Medium "Wicked Game"	America's Most Wanted	Law & Order			
12	12	12	NBC Score Update	Score Update	NLL Lacrosse Championship Game — Portland Lumberjax at Buffalo Bandits.	NASCAR Sprint Cup — Sprint All-Star Race. From Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C.					
55	55	55	SCOR Score Update	Score Update	NLL Lacrosse Championship Game — Portland Lumberjax at Buffalo Bandits.	NASCAR Sprint Cup — Sprint All-Star Race. From Lowe's Motor Speedway in Concord, N.C.					
53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	Crime 360 "Fatal Feud"	The First 48	Guides	Fish Out of	Storytellers	Moccasin Flats		
16	16	16	A&E Cold Case Files (HDTV)	Rez Bluez (N)	Rez Bluez (N)	Guides	Fish Out of	Storytellers	Moccasin Flats		
70	70	70	APTN MYTV	Arts & Minds	Bravo! Videos	Yo-Yo Ma Live-Rehearsal Hall	The Four Seasons Mosaic	The Medium	Brownies		
37	37	37	BRVO Arts & Minds	Bravo! Videos	Yo-Yo Ma Live-Rehearsal Hall	The Four Seasons Mosaic	The Medium	Brownies	Bunny Girls (N)		
49	49	49	COM Laughs	Comedy Now	Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Special Investigations	Deadliest Catch "Striking Out"	Criss Angel	Extreme-Home		
18	18	18	CNN This Week in Politics	What's That About?	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Rome "Phillip"	Presumed Innocent (1990, Mystery)	Gone Wild			
38	38	38	DISC How It's Made	How It's Made	What's That About?	Colin & Justin's Home Heist	Rome "Phillip"	Presumed Innocent (1990, Mystery)	Gone Wild		
48	48	48	HGTV Holmes on Homes	Re-Inventors	Urban Legends	Pussycat Dolls: Girlfriends	Annapolis ** (2006, Drama) James Franco, Tyrese Gibson.	Eyes Wide Shut *** (1999, Drama)	Kenny-Spenny		
46	46	46	HIST Re-Inventors	Urban Legends	Pussycat Dolls: Girlfriends	Annapolis ** (2006, Drama) James Franco, Tyrese Gibson.	Eyes Wide Shut *** (1999, Drama)	Kenny-Spenny			
17	17	17	MM Pussycat Dolls: Girlfriends	Bright Lights, Big City ** (1988, Drama)	Michael J. Fox.	The Haunting of Sorority Row (2007, Drama)	Kailin See	Matchmaker	Moving Up (N)		
206	206	206	PIX (6:15) Bowfinger (1999)	Lies and Crimes (2007, Suspense)	Estella Warren.	The Haunting of Sorority Row (2007, Drama)	Kailin See	Matchmaker	Moving Up (N)		
39	39	39	SHOW Matchmaker	Bulging Brides	Party Mamas	The List	Superstar Hair Challenge	Rich Bride, Poor Bride	Matchmaker		
40	40	40	SLICE Property Ladder (HDTV)	Moving Up (HDTV)	Flip House	Date My House					
21	21	21	TLC Picture Perfect	The Object of My	Affection ** (1998, Romance-Comedy)	Jennifer Aniston.	Rumor Has It ... ** (2005, Comedy)	Adrenaline Proj	Mystery Hnt.		
22	22	22	W SpongeBob	Prank Patrol	Ghost						
27	27	27	YTV								

SUNDAY

H	D	B	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
31	31	31	ABC News (N)	ABC News	Extreme Makeover: Home	Smallville "Arctic" (N)	Desperate Housewives (N)	Desperate Housewives (N)	Paris Hilton		
7	7	7	ASN Kyle XY "Lockdown"	Funniest Home Videos	Movie	The 43rd Annual Academy of Country Music Awards (Live)	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)
11	11	11	CBC To Be Announced	60 Minutes	Family Guy	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)
32	32	32	CBS Evening News	Family Guy	Family Guy	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)
6	6	6	CHIF Criminal Minds	CSI: Crime Scene Investgn.	King of the Hill	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Family Guy	American Dad	News (N)	
9	9	9	CJCH Cold Case "Joseph"	Dateline NBC	The WWE Experience	Bodog Fight	Hardcore Champ. Fight	World-Poker			
36	36	36	FOX Cold Case "Joseph"	Dateline NBC	The WWE Experience	Bodog Fight	Hardcore Champ. Fight	World-Poker			
12	12	12	NBC Score Update	Score Update	Cabby Unlinit	Poker	Hockey 2008 IIHF World Championship Gold Medal Game — Teams TBA.	The Sopranos			
55	55	55	SCOR Score Update	Score Update	Cabby Unlinit	Poker	Hockey 2008 IIHF World Championship Gold Medal Game — Teams TBA.	The Sopranos			
53	53	53	TSN SportsCentre	Cold Case Files (HDTV)	Warriors: TKO	Rez Rides	MYTV	renegade:press	Beyond Words	Sharing Circle	Moccasin Flats
16	16	16	A&E Cold Case Files (HDTV)	Warriors: TKO	Rez Rides	MYTV	renegade:press	Beyond Words	Sharing Circle	Moccasin Flats	
70	70	70	APTN Medicine Wmn	Tears	Arts & Minds	Bravo! Fact	Garrett Mason	Side-Dick Dale	The Simpsons	Celebrity	Comedy Net
37	37	37	BRVO Eye on the Guy	History Bites	Winnipeg Comedy Festival	Newsroom	Animal Face-Off Colossal squid; sperm whale. (N)	Property Virgin	Extreme Makeover: Home	MythBusters	
49	49	49	COM Laughs	History Bites	Winnipeg Comedy Festival	Newsroom	Animal Face-Off Colossal squid; sperm whale. (N)	Property Virgin	Extreme Makeover: Home	MythBusters	
18	18	18	CNN Lou Dobbs This Week (HDTV)	Daily Planet	House Hunters	House Hunters	Buy Me	The General vs The President	Clear and Present Danger *** (1994)	Rock-Cradle	
38	38	38	DISC MythBusters	Daily Planet	House Hunters	House Hunters	Buy Me	The General vs The President	Clear and Present Danger *** (1994)	Rock-Cradle	
48	48	48	HGTV Green Homes	Living With Ed	Ultimate Engineering	America's Best Dance Crew	Gone Wild	Video on Trial	Totally Untrue	MuchNews	
46	46	46	HIST Doglights	Ultimate Engineering	America's Best Dance Crew	Gone Wild	Video on Trial	Totally Untrue	MuchNews	Rock-Cradle	
17	17	17	MM Rock the Cradle	Heaven's Gate	(7:45) Goldfinger **** (1964, Action) Sean Connery, Gert Frobe.				Stealing Beauty *** (1996, Drama)		
206	206	206	PIX Fantastic Four	Billable Hours	Family in Hiding (2006, Suspense)	Brenda Strong.			Trailer Park	Rent-A-Goalie	Sin City
39	39	39	SHOW In Laws	Last 10	Family in Hiding (2006, Suspense)	Brenda Strong.			Trailer Park	Rent-A-Goalie	Sin City
40	40	40	SLICE The New Detectives	Maxed Out	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury			Spilled Rotten	In Laws	Biggest Loser
21	21	21	TLC The New Detectives	Maxed Out	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury			Spilled Rotten	In Laws	Biggest Loser
22	22	22	W Hwd 10 Best	Maxed Out	Shopping Bags	Style by Jury			Spilled Rotten	In Laws	Biggest Loser
27	27	27	YTV Nickelodeon's 2008 Kids' Choice Awards						Falcon Beach		

Bachelorette back for more

By SANDY CAETANO
for Metro Halifax

Profile DEANNA

PAPAS had her heart broken last November when she was dumped by the then Bachelor Brad Womack — but it's her turn now to hand out the roses as this season's Bachelorette.

more Idol
» The sixth season of Canadian Idol will premiere on CTV on June 3, CTV has announced.

Papas said. "It was a friend of mine, and we just went to dinner."

Even though Womack decided he didn't want to continue a relationship with either Papas or Jenni Croft, a 27-year-old Phoenix Suns cheerleader, Papas says she's happy. "I was really confused when it hap-

pened but after ... I was actually very happy that Brad ... didn't propose to someone just because he was under pressure," she says. This fourth season premieres on ABC Monday at 9 p.m. ET and on CityTV Thursday at 9 p.m. ET.

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announcement



Dragonette to hit The Marquee Club

CONCERTS Pollstar, the concert website, is reporting that electropop band Dragonette will perform at The Marquee Club on June 27. The band was nominated for a Juno Award for best new group earlier this year. A ticket price has not been announced.

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In Brief

» **MUSIC** Plants and Animals, the Montreal-based band that features two Haligonians, Warren Spicer and Matthew Woodley, is going on a two continent tour. The band will perform in Canada, the United States, and a number of European countries over the next four months.

» **CONTEST** Lacie Nickerson, a seven-year-old from Bedford, was the winner of the 2008 We Love Our Family Expo's Hannah Montana look-a-like contest held earlier this month. The youngster won an opportunity to see the Miley Cyrus — who plays Hannah Montana — perform on Good Morning America in New York City this summer.

» **CHOIR** The provincial men's choir, Nova Voce, will hold its annual fundraising gala, Three-In-One Dinner, Cabaret, Silent Auction at the Dalhousie University Club on June 14. The event will feature a variety of performances. Tickets are \$50 and are available from choir members. For more information, visit www.novavoce.com.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

Live Art Dance brings intimacy

By DEAN LISK
Metro Halifax

It's comparable to seeing your favourite rock band play The Marquee Club, or the National Ballet stepping out on a small stage, said Paul Caskey

"It's up close and personal," said the artistic director of Live Art Dance about being able to bring Company Marie Chouinard to the Sir James Dunn Theatre in September. "It's such a rare opportunity to see a company of that scale in a 200 seat venue."

The Montreal-based choreographer — who will present an erotically charged piece called Orphée Et Eurydice — is among the seven visiting performers announced for its 2008-09 season.



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Artistic director Paul Caskey and general manager Gaye Hauser announce Live Art Dance's 2008-09 season.

Among the other shows Caskey announced yesterday are appearances by Halifax-based Mocean Dance, Tara Cheyenne Friedenberg, and a co-production with Ballet Jörgen Canada.

Caskey said his goal for the upcoming season was to bring some of the best dance to the stage, but to also provide a range of content.

"It terms of the diversity we are presenting, each show has the potential to be somebody's favourite," he said.

"I wanted to take the programming into directions we hadn't explored that vigorously yet. So, with Ballet Jörgen, to my recognition this would be the first time a ballet company will be presented by Live Art.

Yesterday's announcement came on the same day that Live Art Theatre got ready to wrap up its silver anniversary with a solo performance by choreographer Tedd Robinson.

"It offers us the freedom in the sense that we have arrived at a certain place,"



Speed is among the pieces being shown by Live Art Dance this season.

Caskey said about being around for a quarter century. "If we didn't have 26 years of history, of building audience, these artists — like

Chouinard — would not come and give us three nights.

"Halifax is certainly on the national dance map."

—dean.lisk@metronews.ca

what to look forward to

» Here is a look at what Live Art Dance has planned for its 2008-09 season:

» **MARTIN BELANGER:** The choreographer combines forms and ideas, video and audience interaction in his work, *The Grand Unified Theory*. Sept. 18 through 20.

» **COMPANY MARIE CHOUINARD:** The world-renown choreographer returns to Halifax with the powerful *Orphée Et Eurydice*. Oct. 2 through 4.

» **TARA CHEYENNE FRIEDENBERG:** A comedian, actor and dancer who combines the satirical with the wicked in *Nick And Juanita – Living In My Dreams*. Oct. 9 through 11.

» **NOVA BHATTACHARYA:** The choreographer — named after this province — performs *Incantations*. Dec. 4 through 6.

» **MOCEAN DANCE:** The local dance group performs a new work by a Montreal-

based choreographer. Jan. 22 through 24.

» **BALLET JÖRGEN CANADA:** The ballet teams with Live Art and choreographer Ruth Ellern Kroll Jackson to present new works. April 17 through 18.

» **SUZANNE MILLER AND ALLAN PAIVO:** The choreographer present their collaboration, *Speed (Sped-up)*. May 14 through 16.

» For more information visit www.liveartproductions.ca.

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Ash Can paintings

Gallery Page and Strange in Granville Square is exhibiting Gerald Ferguson's Ash Can Paintings starting on May 23 and running through June 13.



BAY LANDING: Benefit dance featuring Shaker on Saturday, 9:30 p.m. \$5. 354 Prospect Bay Rd.
BEARLY'S: The Mellotones on Friday and Saturday. Smokin' Contra Band matinee on Saturday. Blues Jam with Brad Conrad on Sunday. 1269 Barrington St.
BIG LEAGUES: The Beat of Halifax with Z103 on Friday. Jimmy Flynn on Saturday. 4 Forest Hills.
BUBBLES MANSION: DJ Savory on Friday, 10 p.m. \$4. DJ Doug Phresh on Saturday, 10 p.m. \$5. 5287 Prince St.
CELTIC CORNER: Jimmy Sweeney on Friday and Saturday. 69 Alderney Dr.
CHEERS: Sam Moon and Rick Gautreau matinee on Friday. 1743 Grafton St.
COACH'S PUB: DJ Scott on Saturday. 552 Sackville Dr.
DAVE DOLITTLE'S: Karaoke with Mike Gough on Friday and Saturday. 90 Tacoma Dr.
THE DOME: DJ Doug Phresh

on Fridays. World dance party on Saturdays. 1663 Argyle St.
DUTCHIE'S PUB: Jimmy Ralph on Friday, 8 p.m. Jeff Bonang and friends on Sundays, 4 p.m. 3671 Dutch Village Rd.
ECONOMY SHOE SHOP: Brian Bourne on Monday. 1661 Argyle St.
GUS' PUB: Shortpants Romance and Joyless Streets on Friday. Mountain and the Tree, and The Grass on Saturday, 10 p.m. 2605 Agricola St.
THE HARBOURFRONT ROOM: Bittersweet on Friday and Saturday. Casino Nova Scotia.
THE JOLLY MUG: Frank Lowe and SideKIXX on Sunday. 15 Lakeland Rd.
KEY LARGO'S: DJ IV on Friday. DJ Doc on Saturday. 70 First Lake Dr.
LION'S HEAD TAVERN: Laurie the Guy on Friday and Saturday. 5833 Sullivan St.
LOWER DECK: Pogeys on Friday and Saturday. Paul Lamb and Cory Tetford matinee on Friday. Paul Lamb matinee on Saturday. Signal Hill on Sunday. Historic Properties.
MARQUEE CLUB: Supastition on Friday. 2008 Hott Spots on Saturday. Scratch Bastid on Sun-

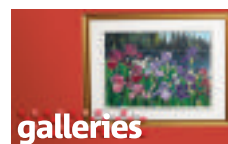


Live Art Dance presents Tedd Robinson at the Sir James Dunn Theatre through Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$16 to \$23.

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MICHAEL'S BAR & GRILL: Laurie the Guy on Thursday and Sunday. 6100 Young St.
MONTES: The Box on Friday. Karaoke with Laurie the Guy on Tuesday. 245 Waverley Rd.
MY SON'S PLACE: Low Rider Band open mic on Sunday. 223 Wyse Rd.
OAKMOUNT STATION: Pros vs. Joes karaoke on Saturday. 1717 Bedford Hwy.
O'CARROLL'S: Roger Stone and David Dobson on Friday and Saturday. Roger Stone on Sunday through Thursday. 1860

Upper Water St.
OUR FRIEND'S PUB: Kitchen parties on Monday, 4:30 p.m. 19 Norm Newman Dr.
THE PALACE NIGHTCLUB: DJ Smooth Steve on Friday. DJ Fierce on Saturdays. 1721 Brunswick St.
PARKSIDE PUB: Da Rock on Friday and Saturday. 14 Highfield Park Dr.
PASSAGE ALE HOUSE: Live music matinee on Saturday. 36 Government Wharf.
THE PAVILLION: THE PAVILLION: Kid Science, The Goat, Revenue, Chunk Audio and D4L on Friday, 6:30 p.m. \$7. 5816 Cogswell St.
PEDDLER'S PUB: DJ Mathe-matrix on Friday and Saturday. Granville Mall.
PLAZA NIGHTCLUB: DJRSSmooth and DJ Loonie Toonez on Friday. DJ Candyman on Saturday. 120 Main St.
POGUE FADO: Keith Andrews Republic on Friday and Saturday. Keith Andrews on Tuesday. 1581 Barrington St.
PORTER'S LAKE PUB: Fossil Rock on Friday. Karaoke on Saturday. 5528 Highway 7.
THE RED FOX: Forty Fingers on Friday. Bayers Road Village.
THE RED STAG: High Tide on

Friday and Saturday. 1496 Lower Water St.
REFLECTIONS: Jamie Leigh and Clifton F. on Friday. DJ Hed-Fones on Saturday. Mz. Gay Halifax contest on Sunday. 5184 Sackville St.
STAYNER'S WHARF: John Chiasson Quartet with Daniel Matto on Friday. Steven Bowers on Saturday. Jeff Goodspeed on Sunday. 5075 George St.
TRIBECA: The Metric System on Sunday. 1588 Granville St.
WINSTON'S: All request with DJ Don "Poof Daddy" Card on Friday. 278 Laceywood Dr.



ANNA LEONOWENS: Works by Alexander van Helvoort and Lindsey Nolan. Through May 17. 5163 Duke St.
ART GALLERY OF NOVA SCOTIA: Works by Miller Brittain. Through June 15 1723 Hollis St.
ARGYLE FINE ART: Looking Downtown, paintings by Shelley Mitchell. Father Son And Holy Goat, works by Ruth Marsh. Through May 25. 1869 Upper Water St.
ART-PORT GALLERY: Works by 12 local artists. Robert Stanfield International Airport.
CORRIDOR GALLERY: Portraits And The Sea. 1113 Marginal Rd.
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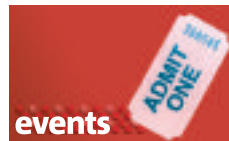


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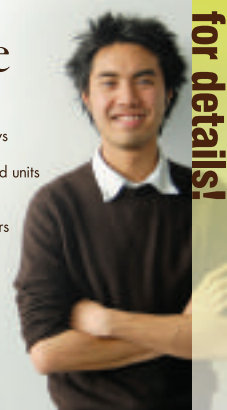
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Shania single again

Shania Twain and her husband, producer Robert "Mutt" Lange, have split, People.com reports.

"Shania Twain and her husband, music producer Robert 'Mutt' Lange, are separating after 14 years of marriage," spokesman Jason Owen says in a statement. "This is a private matter and there will be no further comment at this time."

Twain, 42, and Lange, 59, married in 1993, just six months after meeting. They are parents to a six-year-old son, Eja D'Angelo.

In 2002, Twain opened up about her and Lange's relationship, saying: "Our love has always been based on friendship and compatibility," though, she added, "we are very different."

In early 2000, press reports surfaced that their then seven-year marriage was in trouble, but the couple remained together. Around the same time, Twain all but disappeared from public life, retreating to Tour-de-Peilz, Switzerland. "I needed a break, physically and mentally," she explained of her move. "I needed to leave

behind the whole 'Shania' thing and be myself."

In the December 2007 issue of Redbook, Twain said: "I struggled a lot internally with my fame, and coping with it has been very difficult."

As for getting back into the public eye with a new perfume and album to be released this year, she says, "I'm not naturally a spotlight person ... [But] I don't mind being the centre of attention in a controlled, comfortable environment." **Metro News Services**



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Foster alone

JODIE FOSTER has split with her long-term partner Cydney Bernard, imdb.com reports. The news comes just five months after the actress paid tribute to her alleged partner of 14 years at an award ceremony. The 45-year-old, who had never before acknowledged Bernard in public, gushed about her during an acceptance speech in December, saying: "My beautiful Cydney, who sticks with me through with me through the rotten and the bliss." The couple has two adopted children together. Foster's publicist was unavailable for comment. **Metro News Services**

Owen, Kate split

KATE HUDSON and Owen Wilson have called it quits, less than two months after rekindling their romance in Miami, People.com reports.

The end of their erratic courtship (they began dating in September '06) comes amid erroneous reports that the pair were engaged, fuelled by photos of Hudson wearing a Tiffany & Co. ring both on-and-off set of *Bride Wars*, which she's filming in Boston.

"It was a pretty bad breakup," says a Wilson pal. "Owen said it was a tough one. He definitely doesn't want to dwell on it. He wants to put it behind him."

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Rumer to sing

RUMER WILLIS is set to release a record, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The 19-year-old aspiring star – the daughter of Bruce Willis and Demi Moore – has reportedly caught the interest of music executives with her "deep, husky voice."

Willis recently insisted she landed a role in upcoming film *Wild Cherry* without any help from her A-list parents. She said: "I think when people meet me they're shocked, because the idea of celebrity children is that they're trust-fund babies that don't have any desire to work."

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Dunst dumped

MIU MIU model Kirsten Dunst has been replaced by Johnny Depp's partner Vanessa Paradis, femalefirst.co.uk reports. The French singer will be photographed by Mert Alas and Marcus Piggott for the autumn advertising campaign.

Miu Miu are yet to officially comment on the switch, but it has been claimed Dunst's departure may be linked to her recent stint in Utah's Cirque Lodge rehab clinic.

Since leaving the clinic, Dunst has been seen with her rumoured new boyfriend Ryan Gosling.

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Tony and Michelle get set to tie the knot!

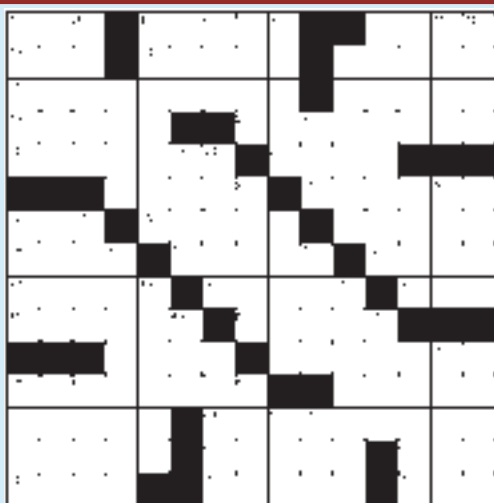
Marry Me, Halifax winners Tony Wood and Michelle LeBlanc are having their dream wedding on Saturday at Casino Nova Scotia – and you, our readers, have been deciding the details. The voting is over, and now everything is in place for the wedding. Read Monday's paper to see how the big day turned out!

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- 2 Sports venue
- 3 Jeans fabric
- 4 Famous
- 5 Confidant
- 6 Rollover subj.
- 7 Quote as an authority
- 8 Appears
- 9 Terry of the gridiron
- 10 Opposed
- 11 Ceremony
- 12 Have to have
- 15 Weds on the run
- 17 Tees and tubes
- 21 Baby wear
- 23 Speakeasy risk
- 24 Use steel wool
- 27 French Legion head-gear
- 29 Bedouin, for one
- 30 "Alice" waitress
- 31 Makes do with
- 32 Cave dwellers
- 33 Running track
- 34 "Pretty Woman" lead
- 36 Shoulder muscles
- 39 Kind of stone
- 41 Cuff
- 44 Pounced
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- 61 Chatty pet
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- 66 Mao — tung

across»

- 1 Walk barefoot
- 4 Heroic tales
- 9 Silo companion
- 13 UK part
- 14 Donny's sister
- 15 Banks of baseball
- 16 Air out
- 18 Order at Starbucks
- 19 Hamburger extra
- 20 Personified
- 22 Meddles
- 25 Dainty swallows
- 26 Eat between meals
- 28 Mind
- 32 Soggy ground
- 35 Wiped out
- 37 Mr. Spock's father
- 38 Greetings at the Forum
- 40 Snows or gulls
- 42 Merchandise
- 43 Fruit pastries
- 45 Wallet stuffers
- 47 — -relief
- 48 Lies dormant
- 50 Ramp alternative
- 52 NFL players
- 54 Blot
- 58 Eardrum
- 62 Queen's truck
- 63 Beau
- 64 Totally bewildered
- 67 Doing great
- 68 Biscotto flavor
- 69 — annum
- 70 Phoned
- 71 Supply a banquet
- 72 Masseuse employer

previous answer



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You'll get a great idea to complete a simple task. Life lessons start getting more attention. Be careful when racing around.


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Trust your intuition to lead you. It's a bad time for making compromises. You'll have to come up with specific information fast.


GEMINI | May 22-June 21

An important person is showing interest in you. A change of heart will cause a problem. Take a serious approach to your budget.


CANCER | June 22-July 22

A clever person can make a persuasive offer. Find a place of safety when chaos breaks out. A stormy friend will get into trouble.


LEO | July 23-Aug. 23

A headstrong person leaves no stone unturned. A joker has the information that you need. Don't push too hard for perfection.


VIRGO | Aug. 24-Sept. 22

You'll be given reasons to depend on someone. Confrontations are a bad idea for relationships. A man's boredom is becoming obvious.


LIBRA | Sep. 23-Oct. 23

A guessing game has gone on too long. Someone's fall from grace exposes a plan. An experiment will succeed too well.


SCORPIO | Oct. 24-Nov. 22

An insignificant person will make idle threats. You'll be able to break unhealthy bonds. Indiscretions will give you a laugh.


SAGITTARIUS | Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Someone will set your feelings free. Find out something about a battle of wills. Any carelessness will cause an extreme reaction.


CAPRICORN | Dec. 22-Jan. 20

You'll be told about a refusal being given. A financial burden must be shared. There'll be talk of a specialist being dismissed.


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A consultant will need your evidence. A sentimental person gets on your nerves. Break away from your bad habits now.


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instructions»

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

solve time»

Under 13 minutes **Genius**
13-17 minutes **Scholar**
17-21 **Smart**
21-25 **Pretty good**
More than 25 **Keep practising**

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Afternoon



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19°

Tonight



Showers.
6° 40%

Saturday



Cloudy.
13° / 6°

Sunday



Variable.
17° / 8°



Monday



Rain.
11° / 7° 100%

Temperature

Normals
High: 13.3°
Low: 4.4°

Records

High: 23.3°/1974
Low: 0°/1970

Sunrise: 5:44 a.m.
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Moonrise: 5:34 p.m.

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